

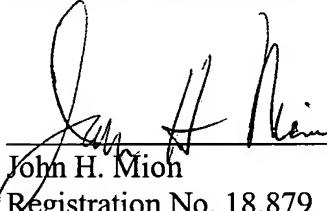
SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

**REMARKS**

New claims 17 and 18 replace the previously canceled claims 13/12 and 14/12.

Therefore, it is requested that all of claims 1-18 be examined.

Respectfully submitted,



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